

THE BENNINGTON EVENING BANNER

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BENNINGTON VT., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1913

PRICE ONE CENT

Murphy's Statement That He Gave Back a Campaign Contribution of \$25,000 Is a Masterpiece—So Clear, So Convincing, So Unanswerable

10 VICTIMS PLEAD GUILTY AND ARE SENTENCED

Five Others Chose To Stand Their Trial

IN UNITED STATES COURT

Great Roundup of Respondents But Most of the Offenses Are of a Minor Nature.

Rutland, Oct. 30.—Fifteen respondents, charged with a variety of offenses, faced Judge James L. Martin of Brattleboro in United States District court yesterday morning and of these men, 10 of them pleaded guilty and either paid their fines or took the alternative jail sentences imposed by the court. Charles Avon of Keene, N. H., William and Peter Morin and Benjamin Williams, the latter colored of Nashua, N. H., who are accused of robbing the post-office at Barnet and East Ryegate pleaded not guilty and Attorney C. V. Poulin was assigned as their counsel. It is expected that the last of these respondents will change their pleas this morning, although the government officials would not admit this last night. A. W. Fisher from the northern part of the state charged with a violation of the meat inspection act in shipping "bob veal" also pleaded not guilty.

Of the men who pleaded guilty the most conspicuous was an Italian by the name of A. Guerra of Northfield, who admitted sending matter through the mail which was said to be inflammatory, but according to the statement of a United States mail inspector the offense was a technical one and the fine was set at \$50 and costs. This was paid. Guerra is a granite worker and a few months ago he was approached while at his work and asked to aid a widow in Hopedale, Mass., whose husband was killed during the recent strike trouble in that city. He gave the solicitor 50 cents and in return was handed a postal card with this inscription printed in Italian "assassinated by a bullet in the head by a guard or policeman employed by His Excellency Draper during the strike at Hopedale, April 24, 1913. The officials refuse to prosecute." A short time after Guerra used this card to communicate with a friend and it was because he sent this through the mail that he was brought into court.

John M. Hilliker, Roy and William Rockland, who live on Lake Champlain near the Canadian line pleaded guilty through an attorney to shipping fish out of season and they were fined \$100 in each case, the \$200 being paid.

H. T. Chase admitted shipping "bob veal" and he was fined \$50 and costs which he paid. C. B. Sandura of Bennington pleaded guilty to an offense against the immigration acts. A young woman relative of the respondent sought admission into this country and before she had passed the proper examination on her eyes he brought her into the state.

Levi Croteau and H. W. Chase of Windsor, the latter a big lumber dealer, were fined jointly \$240 and costs for a violation of the immigration acts. They pleaded to attempting to import 12 men from Montreal into the state of Vermont to do contract work on a lumber job. It was stated by counsel for Mr. Chase that he was unfamiliar with the law and did not mean to commit any offense against the government. Mr. Croteau was his foreman and he went to Canada after the men.

Emile Dubois and Julian Gamelin both pleaded guilty to a violation of the Mann "white slave act" and they were each sentenced to the county jail of Addison county for a term of six months.

Yesterday after a jury was drawn and the trial started in the case of the United States against George Scribner of Montpelier in which the respondent is charged with sending unmailable matter through the mails, Miss May Lazor a young girl who received a piece of poetry, testified as did her mother and father.

They Shine.

If you haven't noticed some young lady on the street wearing one of those fifty crepe Windsor ties sold at Hitchcock's department store you better come in and get a glimpse of them. We have a large assortment in all colors at 50 cents. Also ask to see children's gloves in tan cape and in washable white doe skin, at \$1.50 a pair.

SEUMAS MACMANUS COMING

Famous Irish Poet and Author Coming To Bennington.

Seumas MacManus, of Donegal, Ireland, the Irish writer and lecturer has been secured by the Knights of Columbus to lecture at Academy hall November 5. All who are acquainted with MacManus' Irish stories, in the leading magazines, or with his books, need hardly be told that he got his knowledge of the wit and humor and poetry and pathos of Irish life at first hand. From his cradle he looked out every day on the rugged mountains and cliffs of wave-lashed Donegal; and he heard the Donegal cautions singing round him the old Gaelic lullabies; and listened to the cronies and shamachies, who dropped every night into his father's cottage on the mountainside, chant the ancient Irish poems and tell the thousand years old legends and tales. In fact he was suckled on the very lore which he has now for ten years been giving to the American public. The fourteen or fifteen books of fairy tales and of original story and drama that he has given to the world, since at the age of eighteen he was appointed the mountain schoolmaster, form only a small part of the great wealth of Irish lore which he imbibed as a child. In his "Lad of the O'Ferrals" and his "Donegal Fairy Stories" and his "Ballads of a Country Boy," among others, he gives us Irish life and character and Irish song and Irish story, Irish humor and pathos, combined like the sunshine and mists of his native hills.

As a barefoot boy he was so fond of the old legends and tales, that he tramped the hills nightly to hear them in the house of the shanachy or regular story teller—for every district among the hills of Ireland has its own honored shanachy who is a repository of all the old lore, and who on the long winter nights entertains the big circle of happy-faced ones who listen spell-bound to the tales, sitting around the glowing peat fire, with the yellow firelight dancing over their faces, and flicking over the smoke-blackened rafters above them. The barefoot boy who sat open-mouthed in the corner did not then in his wildest dream imagine that he would one day be telling the same stories to an audience stretching from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific and from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico—or that he would be interpreting to all America the poetry and the pathos and wit which he saw and felt and heard around him.

At the age of eighteen he became schoolmaster of the little mountain school at which he himself had been taught to read and write and figure. And after seven years' teaching and dreaming during the day and writing and dreaming during the night, he bade goodbye to his scholars and old friends and neighbors, and like the hero in his own fairy tales, set out to push his fortune—in America. From the steerage of a trans-Atlantic liner he landed here on a beautiful day in fall ten years ago, his name utterly unknown to anyone in America, except exiled boys and girls from his own mountain parish. After seven months of America, he sailed for home in the May following with his humorous Irish stories, printed, and being printed, in every leading magazine in the country and his first American book, "Through the Turf Smoke," selling in repeated editions from New York to San Francisco.

Carnations at Fifty Cents a Dozen

Carnations have made an excellent growth this season and the flowers are exceptionally fine. Because of this fact I am able to give the people of Bennington a carnation opportunity such has not been announced here in some time. On Friday at 4 o'clock I will have on sale while they last some of the handsomest carnations ever seen in Bennington. There will be just fifty dozen in the lot and they will be sold for 50 cents a dozen. L. C. Holton, the School street florist.

Just a Word

We want to remind you of the importance of patronizing home industry. When the results are as good, if not better than the work you get from out of town. Send us your laundry bundle and give us a chance to convince you and keep your cash in town. Every little bit helps. We employ fifteen pairs of hands. Bennington Sanitary Laundry, phone 35, W. 128 North street.

The Value of \$2.00

Our service is the best, our rooms just as good and the good things that we serve at meal time has given many persons indigestion because they could not stop eating when they had had all that their stomachs required. All this is at the Cottage hotel. A \$2.00 a day house which at the price can not be beaten in the state. Special rates by the week.

WOMAN SAW LARGE MAN ATTACKING SMALL MAN

Testimony In Richards Murder Case at Newfane

WIDOW WAS ON THE STAND

She Couldn't Tell When She Was Married and Admitted Conviction For Larceny.

Newfane, Oct. 29.—Mrs. Mary Pluff Field, widow of George L. Field, for whose alleged murder Almon M. Richards of Bellows Falls is now on trial in Windham County court here, and Dr. B. H. Stone, state pathologist, were the principal witnesses on the second day of the trial.

Mrs. Field told the story of the altercation between Field and Richards substantially as it was told yesterday by George Lawrence, a boarder at the Field restaurant, who claimed to have witnessed it.

On cross examination by T. W. Moneley of Rutland Mrs. Field admitted that she could not remember where and when or by whom she was married to Field and had no proof. She admitted that she had been convicted of larceny at Keene, N. H., and she would not confirm statements she had made in court at Bellows Falls. She was unable to describe in detail how Richards had struck her husband.

Dr. Stone testified that the autopsy showed a fracture of the skull and emorrhage of the brain, illustrating to the jury with a marked skull and a portion of Field's brain.

In Dr. Stone's opinion the results were caused by violence to the right side of the head and he believed that death resulted from those conditions but on cross examination he gave the opinion that the blow on the right side of the head was one of greater violence than could have been caused with a fist.

This defense considered a point for the reason that at the preliminary hearing an officer testified that he heard a disturbance in the Field apartment several hours after the alleged assault of Richards.

The state presented a witness this afternoon, Mrs. Daniel Doyle of Brattleboro, who knew none of the parties concerned, whose testimony netted the defense. She testified that she was passing the Field restaurant when she saw a man enter, grab a small man or a boy and the latter disappeared from her sight.

The witness testified that she saw the large man slap a woman. A severe cross examination could not shake her evidence.

Dr. Charles F. Whitney, assistant to Dr. Stone, testified that Field's skull was thinner than the average and more liable to fracture. Dr. J. H. Blodgett and Dr. J. S. Hill of Bellows Falls were other witnesses who attended Field and were present at the autopsy.

Warning for Special Village Meeting

The legal voters of the Village of Bennington entitled in Village meetings to vote, are hereby notified and warned that a special village meeting in said Village will be held at Free Library Hall, in said Village of Bennington, on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, 1913, at one o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of transacting the following business:

To see if the Village will authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the purpose of refunding its outstanding orders for borrowed money issued in 1912 and for paying its current expenses for the year ending on the day of the next Village meeting.

To see if the Village will permit and authorize its Water Commissioners to make a contract with the Bennington Scale Company for the laying of a water main from the north end of Mill Street to the factory of said Bennington Scale Company now under construction, for supplying it with water.

Dated at Bennington, this 23rd day of October, 1913.

W. P. Hogan, Clerk.

President, D. A. Ward.

Can Never Kick

In our large stock of fresh, clean groceries and provisions you will certainly find something that will please not only you but the whole family. Our customers never have occasion to find fault with our goods because we always sell the best lines, and our prices are the best. Thomas Stewart, River Street Groceriesman.

RECEIVER FOR POPE CO.

Well Known Manufacturer of Motor Vehicles.

Hartford, Conn., Oct. 28.—Announcement was made here today that the Pope Manufacturing Company had been placed in the hands of a receiver. The company made motor vehicles of various descriptions.

Col. George Pope, treasurer of the company, is named temporary receiver and has qualified under a bond of \$200,000.

Colonel Pope, the receiver, is president of the National association of the automobile chamber of commerce.

BASKET BALL

Two Games Played at the Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

The opening league game of basketball was played in the Y. M. C. A. gym last evening. Burt's team defeated Harmon's team by a score of 18 to 15. Vandenberg and Burt featured in Burt's team. Harmon played exceedingly well in Harmon's team. The lineup was as follows: Burt's team: Buss, rg.; Jenney, c.; Crawford, lf.; Hurley, rf.; Noyes, lg.; Hollister's team: Hollister, ctf.; Mueh, lg.; Norton, Pauley, ctf.; Hamilton, lg.

The second game last evening between Buss' team and Hollister's team was won by Buss' team 32 to 19. Crawford and Jenney featured on their team, while Hollister did much of the good work on his team. The lineup was: Burt's team, Burt, c.; Vandenberg, rf.; Shippey, lf.; Houghton, lg.; Mathers, rg.; Harmon's team: Harmon, c.; Green, lf.; Dragon, rf.; Squire, lg.; Barratt, rg.

LOCAL OVERFLOW

Miss Edna Loomis is confined to the house by illness.

Wm. White of West Main street is moving to Troy today.

J. E. Fortin of School street will leave tonight on the excursion to Montreal.

Mrs. J. H. Ineson's dancing class in N. E. O. P. hall tomorrow evening 8 to 10.

The electric light and power will be shut off Friday afternoon from 1 until 2 o'clock.

Hallowe'en masks, confetti, tin horns and all sorts of noise makers at Evans'.

The ladies of the W. R. C. will hold a Hallowe'en social in the G. A. R. rooms tomorrow evening.

Branch No. 5, of St. Mary's Guild, will meet with Mrs. Chas. T. Burt tomorrow afternoon from 3 to 5.

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Because of an engagement elsewhere Rev. E. McKee will not hold services at Woodford Hollow, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. B. Meyer of North street left last night for a visit of several days with her daughter, Jennie and Sadie, of New York.

Wm. Barber of Grove street has his hand bandaged, as a result of picking a blister with a pin, which caused blood poisoning.

It is necessary that on Friday afternoon the electric light and power be shut off for one hour, from 1 to 2 o'clock, on account of repairs.

50 cases of confetti imported especially for Hallowe'en at Evans', white or colored "made by Dennison" and put up in air-tight and sanitary cases. Adv.

At the Methodist parsonage, Wednesday, October 29, 1913, George Shaw Darling of Troy, N. Y., and Mary Elizabeth Pope of Cohoes, N. Y., were united in marriage by Rev. P. L. Dow.

St. Peter's Episcopal church held a meeting at the parish house Wednesday evening. There were reports from officers of the different organizations of the church, supplemented by a supper and social hour.

NORTH BENNINGTON

Mrs. E. R. Percey of South Shaftesbury spent the day with her sister, Mrs. Charles Kenyon.

Born, Oct. 26 a daughter, Belle Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Hibbard Todd of Bank street.

Mrs. Meta Patterson of Shaftesbury was the guest of Mrs. Charles Kenyon one day last week.

Drink In Season

In summer you drink cold soda and in winter you should drink hot soda. Anyway, don't fail to try our hot soda—it will delight as well as benefit you, and this is the only place in town to get it. We serve beef, chicken, tomato, clam, chocolate and coffee, all hot. Harwood's drug store, North and Gage streets.

EUROPE DEMANDS SETTLEMENT OF TROUBLES

U. S. Must Stop Strife or Let Others Do It

WILSON POLICY CRITICISED

Other Nations Out of Patience With the "Drifting Policy" of United States.

Washington, Oct. 29.—The impatience of foreign powers with what is termed the "drifting" policy of the United States in Mexico has found expression in unofficial comment by diplomats in Mexico City only a trifle less outspoken than that of the British Minister, which has been productive of so much irritation here.

An intimation by the French Minister to Mexico, M. Lefavre, that he regarded the Washington policy as weak, brought from Chas. O'Shaughnessy, The New York Times correspondent learned today, a protest to which M. Lefavre quickly responded by disclaiming any intention to criticize the Wilson Administration.

Nevertheless, there is practically a unanimous sentiment among European diplomats' representatives in Mexico City that intervention is necessary and desirable in the Mexican situation. Apparently the Administration has some reason to fear the foreign offices of several of the great powers when they make known to the United States their ideas as to how conditions in Mexico should be handled. It is believed that this knowledge was one of the moving factors in the decision of President Wilson and Secretary Bryan to ask all nations having interests in Mexico to defer action until after the Government had had opportunity to formulate and present a new policy with respect to the southern republic.

The Spanish Minister at Mexico, French colleague in his strictures on the course of the United States. He called to the attention of the other diplomats the fact that many Spaniards had been killed in Northern Mexico, and predicted that many more would be killed unless steps were taken to improve conditions. He asserted that the bad state of affairs was due to the attitude of the United States, and he voiced the belief that the American Government was directly responsible for the deaths of Spanish subjects on account of its failure to take measures for the suppression of disorders.

EDGAR LITTLETON THE BASSO

Of the Boston Opera Company Stars Who Appear Here Monday Night.

Few bassos in the world have the brilliancy of tone combined with the deep, rich quality that makes Edgar Littleton stand out as the one great basso of America. In every city where he has appeared in concert his triumph has been distinct, and in the tour by noted stars of the Boston Opera company his personal triumph has not been exceeded by any of the more famous artists, including such well known stars as Umberto Sacchetti, Giovanni Gatti, Nikola Oulouchanoff, and Romero Malpica. It has been said that there are more great male singers in the aggregation than have ever been put into a touring company before, and local music lovers will have a chance of judging the truth of this statement on Monday evening next when the company comes for one night to the Bennington opera house.

Mr. Littleton does not sing in the opera "Cavalleria Rusticana" which is presented in complete form, but in the concert program he sings arias that thrill and delight every listener. His "Il Lacerato Spirito," from Verdi's "Simon et Baucis," and "The Heart Bowed Down" from "The Bohemian Girl."

The aggregation as a whole is larger and better than last year according to newspaper reports from cities already visited. Mmes. Maria De Gabbi and Gertrude Hutcheson are the prima donna sopranos. Miles, Ernestine Gauthier and Frances Woolwine, the prima donna contraltos, and Mme. Josefina Rondero are the Spanish mezzo-soprano who sings Mama Lucia in "Cavalleria."

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MRS. EATON ACQUITTED

Jury Returned a Verdict of Not Guilty This Morning.

Plymouth, Mass., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Jennie May Eaton, widow of the late Rear Admiral Joseph G. Eaton was today acquitted by the jury of the charge of murdering her husband.

The jury took the case last night at 6 o'clock and was out all night, arriving at a verdict of not guilty this forenoon.

THOMPSON—CULLINAN

Well Known Arlington Young People Wedded.

Arlington, Oct. 30.—The wedding of Miss Sarah Cullinan daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Cullinan to P. H. Thompson took place Wednesday morning at 9:30 at the Catholic church. The bride was gown in white French lisle with an overdress of Point Venise de applique cut entrain. She wore a veil with orange blossoms and carried a white prayer book. The matron of honor, a sister of the bride, Mrs. Guy McKeon, wore white laced-down trimmed with embroidered net. She also wore a white hat and carried yellow chrysanthemums. The best man was John Cantwell, a cousin of the bridegroom. The ushers were two brothers of the bride, William Cullinan of Bennington and Bernie Cullinan of this town and a brother-in-law, Guy McKeon. Father Dwyer of Ludlow read the nuptial mass and Father Kelley read the marriage service. The groom gave to the best man and ushers gold stick pins with diamond centers, while the bride gave to her matron of honor a gold brooch. Miss Cecil Conroy played the wedding march and Mrs. Robert Benedict, a cousin of the bride played for the mass. A reception followed immediately at Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's new house which has just been completed. About 200 people attended the wedding breakfast which consisted of chicken salad, cold boiled ham, cold lamb, creamed potatoes, rolls, jellies, pickles, coffee, ice cream and cake. The presents were numerous and beautiful including cut glass, silver, china, furniture, pictures, lamps, clock, money, etc. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson left by auto for North Bennington where they took the flyer for New York. Mrs. Thompson has been organist in the Catholic church for the past few years. She has always lived in town where she has many friends. Mr. Thompson is a member of the firm Thompson & Howard, is the postmaster of the town, has been town representative, and has held other town offices. He too, has a host of friends who all joined and wish both he and his bride many happy years of married life. Among the friends from out of town were Mrs. Morrissey and daughter Catherine, Mr. and Mrs. William Cullinan of Bennington, Miss Elizabeth Morrissey of Troy, Mr. and Mrs. Dr. LaHoff of Leonminster, Mass, Miss Julia Lyons of Rutland, Father Dwyer of Ludlow and the Misses Margaret and Stasia Keough of Bennington.

DISTRICT MEETING

Important Gathering of Odd Fellows Tomorrow Night

The annual convocation of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the First District of Vermont, will be held at the rooms of Stark lodge, Friday evening, Oct. 31. Grand officers will attend and exemplify the unwritten work. Oreco lodge of North Adams, Mass., with a full degree staff, will confer the Initiating degree on a class of live candidates.

Collation will be served by Miriam Rebekah lodge, No. 8, followed by post prandial exercises from which as well as all of the program much benefit should be derived by every one present. All Brother Odd Fellows in good standing are hereby enjoined to attend this meeting, arriving at lodge hall by 7:20 p. m., if possible, as there is important preliminary work for every member.

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